

ASTROLOGICAL INVESTIGATIONS

HOW TO ESTIMATE THE
IMPORTANT AREAS OF LIFE

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FOREWORD

FOR a period of over twelve years, it has been opportune for me to test, examine and judge nativities. The various points put forth in this book are the result of those years of practical experience. They are not merely theories. They are theories that by dint of actual test have proved themselves, sufficiently, to become convictions to me. They are points or factors, that in my actual judgments, I never lose sight of.

One can only speak from personal experience with real conviction. My experience has led me to test all things, to accept as a possibility all ideas put forth, to respect all those that from past centuries we have inherited, to welcome all the result of more modern labours and never to cast on one side any theory, until it can be disproved. Astrology to me is limitless as far as we are concerned, just as human nature is limitless, in what it has been, is, and is yet to be, and just as the Heavenly Influences are beyond

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human comprehension, in the array of influence that may have obtained, now obtain, or, that may yet be discovered to obtain.

Therefore there is always a vast field of exploration. The real student of Astrology will never lack interest because on the one hand there are always more things awaiting discovery and on the other hand he is always being furnished with fresh material upon which to work.

Cases of failure are bound to be experienced. These are good for the earnest mind and soul. They stimulate deeper enquiry. After the first ecstasy and glory of the early days of one's astrological acquaintance has passed, difficulties begin to be encountered. Then comes the critical test for the student, whether there is a turning from Astrology, a grave doubt as to its capabilities, or whether the student will delve deeper. Happy the student who takes this latter course. Nature will show him there are still deeper and deeper layers, that reward endeavour.

Many excellent rules have been given all along the line of astrological study, from the most ancient times to the present. These are like broad highways and well-trod paths

that direct one with some security to the desired point. Other paths may still be cut that may lead to new discoveries, just as there are many places that the known paths cannot direct us to, so there are things in human life that the general rules of Astrology find difficult to explain. The simplest form of Geography was not untrue because places now known were then unmarked or unclassified. Likewise Astrology was not untrue at any time, but like all other studies or sciences, will probably never be complete. There will always be something more to discover, as long as the interaction between the Heavens and Man obtains. There is comfort in this, as it challenges the Powers of the Mind and Soul, which is the stimulus to Evolution.

Therefore when we meet with our inevitable problems let us make effort to get a little deeper if possible.

PART I

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

ASTROLOGY is the Science that investigates the action and reaction existing between the Heavenly bodies and the rest of manifested Nature, including Man. Astrology reveals the Laws under which this takes place.

It teaches One Law, One Life, in varying forms that are the manifestation of the One Universal Spirit.

It enables Man to know himself, to grapple with his nature. It enables him to make the most of his abilities.

It further affords him a clue to the direction he is likely to take in various affairs of life. It indexes the conditions to be encountered.

If therefore he understands it and to the extent he understands it, the Horoscope proves a chart and compass in life.

It must, however be remembered that the Horoscope is not *He*. The Horoscope is but the expression of the Real Man. The real

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Man is only in the making. Just as you would not say in reality the face was the Man, but rather the expression of the Man and gradually changes in expression and contour during the course of time, so the Horoscope expresses the Man.

To those who earnestly study and understand the Symbols of the Horoscope power is given to estimate the possibilities and probabilities of that person and life.

It should be understood that the *Man* is greater than and not confined within the Horoscope, and the final word is left to the Will and Wisdom of the Man. While the average person may be fairly well classified and the course of life estimated, there are conditions, powers, or heights to be obtained, which, though the *Nature* of such powers be shown, yet the *Extent* of such power is not *Bound* by the Horoscope.

Man the Microcosm is part of the whole.

All the Essences of his constitution exist in the Whole, neither is there any substance in the Whole which does not exist in him, actually or potentially, developed or latent.

Nature stamps all her work. One who understands his particular craft can by the signs and symbols estimate the object. The

Forester the nature of the *Trees*, the Geologist the substances of the *Earth*, the Engineer his *Structure* (Mechanical), and so on with all things.

So with Human Nature, one who studies the Signs and Symbols of that stamp, which stands for human life, i.e., the Horoscope, can give a good estimation of the possibilities of that life.

Events take place in any given period or moment of time that never occur again. You may have somewhat similar occurrences, but never the same, likewise that which comes into expression at any given moment bears its own stamp. *As Above—so Below*. By the Symbols of the *Above*, you estimate that *Below—Man*.

It would be foolish to imagine that the total Influence of any planet is known, that the final word can be spoken ; likewise it would be equally foolish to imagine that the final word can be said of the powers within the Individual.

To say with surety that a person *will* act in a certain manner is more than one can with surety say. To say that a person is *liable* or *inclined* to act in a certain manner is quite right, because the Astrologer has

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knowledge of two things, the *Nature* of the Influence playing upon that person and to a large extent the nature of the person upon whom it is operative. There is still, however, this third factor, the unknown power or quantity, which would indeed be difficult to gauge.

If one neglects this unknown quantity in judging the Horoscope, then one forgets the power of the will, which Occultism teaches can prove almost irresistible, and which has probably given rise to the saying "Where there's a Will there's a Way."

If one neglects this unknown quantity, then one forgets the power of faith, which Scripture teaches us can remove *mountains*.

As time advances, nature yields up more of her secrets, but who can say what secrets she yet possesses?

Likewise who can say what *Man* shall yet be able to do or become.

The Horoscope is Not the *Man*, but the wonderful guide to his nature and life.

By its aid we can determine also the Influence that will play upon him from time to time.

A man may feel he knows himself, but possessed of his Horoscope or Chart he

would be like one who may be conscious to some extent of his experience, but now has it mirrored before him.

First there is Birth. From that moment we commence visible existence. Then comes a point called Death, the termination, at any rate for the time, of the visible existence.

Between these two points we lead our Human Life.

This Human Life has a certain Constitution, a certain temperament, talents or weaknesses. These are *Resources*, whether physical, mental or moral. There is a marked difference in the Constitution, temperament and abilities of each person. No one can truly say how far such may develop. It is, however, certain that development is possible. This is really calling upon one's resources. Just as by the use of a muscle, the muscle is developed, so the various faculties by use become more developed.

Knowledge is Power. The more we know and understand these resources the more Power we possess. The more we can accomplish in the various walks of life.

At the same time, Human Life is subject to Law. These Laws operate. Man must either blindly obey them, or consciously

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work with them. None are outside these Laws. Some gain more knowledge of these laws and by working in accord with them gain fuller power of expression.

There are seasons and tides in the affairs of Man as there are in Nature. These seasons or tides are propitious for various things. We can by knowledge make the best use of them just as the skilled gardener or mariner does in regard to climate and seasons, etc.

If knowledge is Power, then to know the resources, the constitution, talents, etc., must be of great value. It is like knowing the estate one has inherited.

To know the Seasons and Tides in that life when certain Influences are operative must also be of great value.

ASTROLOGY CLAIMS

1st That it gives the earnest student knowledge of one's resources

2nd That it supplies an indicator of the seasons and tides or operative influence. Therein lies the value of Astrology.

Given authentic accurate Birth Data, the type and character of the Native and his life can be estimated.

The time of important periods, good or adverse, can be calculated.

Astrology can defend these claims.

Infallibility *cannot* be claimed.

A good percentage of correct results can be claimed. As in any other Science there are always new discoveries being made, different interpretations being placed upon the Symbols, though the Foundation on which the Science rests is always the same.

CHAPTER II

ASTROLOGICAL MATERIAL

STUDENTS of Astrology are acquainted with the Factors in Astrology

To those who have not studied Astrology full information can be obtained in the many good text-books on the subject

It will be sufficient for my purpose to just briefly mention these symbols that constitute the alphabet of Astrology

1 The Planets These are ☉ Sun, ☾ Moon, ☿ Mercury, ♀ Venus, ♂ Mars, ♃ Jupiter, ♄ Saturn, ♅ Uranus, ♆ Neptune

These represent principles of Human Nature

2 The twelve signs of the Zodiac, or the Division of the Sun's Pathway
♈ Aries, ♉ Taurus, ♊ Gemini, ♋ Cancer, ♌ Leo, ♍ Virgo, ♎ Libra, ♏ Scorpio, ♐ Sagittarius, ♑ Capricorn, ♒ Aquarius, ♓ Pisces

These are characterizing Influences They might be termed moulding influences

3 The twelve Celestial Houses These relate to the Material or Mundane affairs of life

THE 1ST HOUSE Its symbolism—i e , the sign upon the House, the Planet in the House, and ruler of the House, and aspects thrown thereto (this applies to all the houses), all have the effect of inclining the Native to certain things, they give the disposition They incline the life in certain directions The 1st House gives the key to the setting of the whole twelve Houses, therefore it is tremendously important Likewise the degree upon that House is important, not so much in itself, but that it is the key to the pattern of all the other houses The Disposition to things in life is bound to have far-reaching effects

THE 2ND HOUSE Generally called the Financial House It is the House concerned with possessions, not only in the actual sense of money or stock, etc , but also of the ability to acquire, to earn, and on the other hand the claims likely to be made upon the possessions, the avenues of expenditure, losses, etc These matters are not confined entirely

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to this House, but are chiefly affected by the House. For example, a very adverse Horoscope in regard to health is bound to affect the Finance, but the condition of the 2nd would show how much resource there was.

THE 3RD HOUSE Often termed the House of Relations or the Relative House, that which relates whether mentally, as in correspondence, reports, etc., or physically, as in journeys from one place to another, in short measure, such as locally. This House is connected with Kindred. It is the House that shows the relation one has to certain people, objects or places, etc. It typifies the neighbourhood, the things within easy access, mental or material.

THE 4TH HOUSE Connected with Home, life, environment, and immediate surroundings. This house is also closely connected with parentage, and in a general sense indicates that from which we spring, that which surrounds us, our immediate setting and the condition of the final departure. It represents the Midnight from which the Day is born and the Midnight of the Day's return.

THE 5TH HOUSE This is called the House of Pleasure, enterprise and children. It gives us a clue to that which we create, whether

physically, socially, or any other way. Through the 5th House we may find much happiness or misery of our own begetting, consciously or unconsciously. A house often lightly dealt with, but one that would repay earnest study and thought.

THE 6TH HOUSE. This is generally termed the House of Service and also of Sickness, etc. It will stamp its character upon one's work or service, or upon the kind of service one is likely to obtain, also upon the bodily condition, because it is the body that gives service to us or to the Mind or Soul within. Therefore one could study this house profitably not only in regard to outside service received from others, but in regard to what *bodily service* we may acquire or develop for ourselves physically, and in a deeper sense, the service one may give to others and to life in general.

THE 7TH HOUSE. This is called the House of Marriage or Partnerships. This is the house of Union, the direct link with others, from public affairs to the most intimate bond with those with whom one links one's life. The symbolism of this House will stamp its character upon all such partnerships. This House will either greatly

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oppose the Native or will greatly assist him
It is the House of every type of Partnership

THE 8TH HOUSE This is generally called the House of Death, Wills, and Legacies, or all things connected with Death I have always found this House affected at the time of Death Any planet in this House and the Ruler of the House, and sign upon the House, will directly or indirectly share in bringing about the termination of earthly existence They will also give an index to anything in the nature of benefits or otherwise, in connection with the death of others that may occur during the course of one's life The conditions existing in this House, however, go deeper than this They give a clue to the Influences that will either prove a barrier to consciousness of other planes of being while in this life or conversely may lead one to the consciousness of other phases of existence, just as finally they help to provide the means of exit from the material life to planes beyond *A most mysterious House*

THE 9TH HOUSE This House is termed the House of Travel, Philosophy and Religion Strong Influences in this House have bearing upon all such matters It is the House which has the possibility of taking one far

afield, whether physically, as in ordinary travel; mentally, as in Philosophy, etc., or spiritually, as in Religion. The whole Horoscope would show the type of person, and therefore largely determine which of the three would be most evident. However, this House will either incline to distant fields of activity or will tend to negative such according to the character of its sign and Planets therein. Many Planets in the 9th Sign Sagittarius would give the inclination to such things, but in the 9th House would give more chance to actual expression, particularly in regard to actual physical travel.

THE 10TH HOUSE. This is generally termed the House of Profession, Position and Standing or Attainment, etc. The Influence of this House certainly characterizes the conditions that are likely to obtain in regard to Position and Profession, but other factors help to determine the actual profession. The links with Mercury, for instance, incline the Mind to certain professions, as also do planets with the Sun. Therefore personally I consider the 10th House more in regard to conditions obtaining in Profession, Business or Position, rather than as actually determining the Profession. As this is the highest point of

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the Nativity, Planets, Signs, affecting that House, either help to uplift the Native, or make it more difficult to rise in life, according to the Nature of the Planet

THE 11TH HOUSE This is generally termed the House of Hopes, Wishes and Friendships. It does seem that in this House are the keys to many of the ambitions and aspirations of life from a Mundane point of view. Just as the Sign Aquarius will eventually give much experience of Human Nature and Life in its Inner Significance, so will the 11th House provide the mundane or material experience of others through the acquaintances and friendships made. Good Planets in this House, or Planets well placed and well aspected, give sunshine to the Nativity as it were, in that the actual experiences of Human Life through others will prove very hopeful, happy and encouraging, while this House badly influenced is apt to give disillusion in regard to Human Nature in actual contact or experience.

THE 12TH HOUSE This has been termed the House of Mystery, of undoing, confinement, etc. I always think of this House, with its tenants, as a House with the blinds drawn. The Figures are more or less shadows

You can surmise, rather than actually know the doings and effects of the House. It may not always produce or reveal its mystery, but it suggests possibilities of hidden experiences. It reminds one perhaps of things that lie deep and latent, or of callings and periods of time when the veil is placed before the eye of publicity. It conjures up matters connected with hospitable work, or with periods of confinement in hospitals, institutions, etc. I have heard it said that there is less mystery than is supposed in this House, but if it presents nothing of this to me, when strongly tenanted, then I incline to the idea that the nature is either not sufficiently strong to bring things from the deeps into expression, or they are so veiled that my knowledge fails to penetrate them. One should also note whether Planets occupying this House are quick of motion, as by progression such would naturally pass into the 1st House, while the slower Planets like Neptune, Uranus, Saturn, or Jupiter, would remain near the position occupied at Birth.

In regard to the influences of Houses, there is one point that might be considered. The difference in influence between the sign upon the House and the Planet in the House.

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For instance, Capricorn upon the 11th House is more likely to give reserve and aloofness, from friendships, that is fewer friendships, etc., than say Saturn in that House, whereas Saturn in the House would give a Saturnine friendship. If Saturn were in the House, but Venus ruled it, then there might be the inclination to friendships, but delay, or Saturnine friends, while Saturn ruling the House but Venus in the House would rather incline to aloofness from friends, but probably won over by merry, bright or Venusian friendship.

This applies in a general sense to all the Houses. For instance, a fruitful sign and Ruler of the 5th House would be more likely to give children, or benefit from children, than say Jupiter actually in that House. The Ruler of the House lies more at the Root of the matter than does the Planet in the House, though the Planet in the House may be quicker in its expression.

4 The aspects or relation the Planets bear to each other by their position. These are measured in the degrees the planets are distant from each other. They are divided

into Benefic and Adverse. The Principal Aspects are :

♌ Conjunction. * Sextile 60 Good.
 ♐ Square 90 adverse. Δ Trine 120 Good.
 ♑ Sesquiquadrate 135 Adverse. 8 Opposition 180 Adverse.

Conjunctions between Benefics are Good.

Conjunctions between Malefics are Adverse.

Conjunctions between Malefics and Benefics are doubtful, depending upon their relative strength.

In the case of Conjunctions between Benefics and Malefics the relative strength of each planet by Sign and House should be considered. Also the Planet that disposes of them (i.e., ruling the Sign and House they are in).

As for example : Venus conjunction Mars in Pisces. In this case Venus would be most effective, being exalted, also Jupiter ruling Pisces helps the benefit of Venus.

Venus with Mars in Capricorn would give the advantage to Mars, as Mars is therein exalted and Saturn rules the Sign. Venus conjunction Mars in, say, Leo in the 8th would give Mars advantage, through the fact that the Sun finds exaltation in a Mars sign. Mars can always operate more through

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Fire, and that in the 8th it is in one of its own Houses, etc

Equipped with a knowledge of these four factors one can judge a Nativity or estimate the character of the person and the general trend of the life

There are other factors that are more a matter of individual opinion

The Moon's Nodes, Part of Fortune, Fixed Stars, Sensitive Points, etc

Personally I have found them all very effective Mr Bailey has dealt with the Nodes and Sensitive points at some length and should be read by all who really wish to investigate more fully Mr Robson also has dealt very fully with the Fixed Stars Mr White has also now published a Book on the Nodes

Test all things Hold fast to that which proves itself of value irrespective of any bias or prejudice

To judge the Nativity it must first be cast To cast the Nativity we require the Birth Data From the Birth Data, plus exact *Time and Place*, we erect the Map from the Ephemeris

First examine carefully the Birth data—examine the way it is built, just as you

might examine the stones upon which you build.

How many of us first examine the make-up of the Birth Data, yet how important it is.

There are two kinds of Birth Data, Single and Double. The Single would be as :

Alan Leo. Born 7.8.1860.

The Double would be as :

W. E. Gladstone, 29.12.1809

In the case of single dates they can be added across thus :

$$7 + 8 + 1860 = 30.$$

The Double can be added in two ways across thus :

$$2 + 9 + 1 + 2 + 1809 = 32$$

$$\text{or } 29$$

$$12$$

$$—$$

$$41 + 1809 = 59.$$

Make careful note of these numbers. You will find that if they coincide in years with important Astrological Influences much deeper effects are produced.

I do not, however, give them importance in *themselves*. Also deal with them further, thus :

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Alan Leo.

$$7 + 8 + 1860 \overset{6}{=} 30 \quad 30 + 18 + 9 \overset{1}{=} 57$$

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$$1890 = 18 = 9.$$

These are dealt with in a later chapter.

CHAPTER III

IMPORTANCE OF CORRECT TIME

HAVING carefully noted the Numbers of the Birth Date, erect a figure or Birth Chart. This will furnish the Symbolism of the Heavens required to interpret the life and character of the person concerned.

To have correct judgment, no matter how clever the Astrologer, there must be correct Data. The *Time* of birth must be known as well as the date and place. This is important.

Unfortunately many people have no record of the time of their birth. In many cases only the date is known, in others the Time is only very loosely given ; this is unfortunate for the Astrologer, weakening the foundation upon which he has to build.

Can anything be done for these cases where Time is unknown? Take the case of one where only the date is known.

In such cases there is only sufficient data as would suffice for anyone born on that

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Date and in that Place. Therefore, without Rectification, only General Outlines can be given. Many important points can be dealt with, for instance, if Mars on that Date be opposed to Uranus, we know that great dangers, acute conditions, etc., will be experienced, and we can also estimate the Year of life when such is most liable. The same also applies to other important aspects. *But*—and this is important—we cannot estimate the material conditions likely to be affected. If such an aspect operated through the 2nd House and 8th. Unexpected deaths and drastic financial changes are indicated, whereas in the 4th and 10th there might occur drastic tragic events in connection with home and parents, etc. We could only generalize—not particularize.

✓Not knowing the Time of Birth we lack the knowledge of *House Influence*, which is of great importance in regard to Mundane affairs. We lose the whole material setting or pattern. Knowing the Time we are furnished with a key to the departments of material Human Life and also a key to the disposition of the Native. The Time plus the rest of the Factors gives the complete touch to the whole Symbolism.

Therefore in such cases we must either be content with General Judgment—or—we must try to rectify the Nativity This is easier said than done

Furnished with the Dates of several important events, such as accidents, deaths or marriage, and a knowledge of general appearance, the Time of Birth may be estimated

In cases where the time is known within a small area, the Pre-natal Epoch is recommended, and also the Transits of such Planets as Mars over salient points

It is, however, essential for accurate Judgment that the *exact* birth time be found

In regard to Rectification when *Time* is unknown by twenty-four hours, my personal experience has led me to first seek a pattern or plan, which coincides fairly well with the general expression of Life up to date There will only be a few patterns or plans that justify this These few can then be tested by careful calculation of events given, and by testing important Transits, particularly Mars, over vital points This is, of course, very tedious work.

If the time of Birth is not known, then it is only fair to the Astrologer that due

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allowance be made, and that, until further events have been tested, detailed Judgment should not be expected

Take two cases as examples

An Astrologer is approached by two persons in regard to casting and judging a Horoscope
One gives Data as follows Female, Born in Calcutta June 16th, 1890 Time unknown
The other Female, Born London, June 16th, 1890 Time of Birth, 7 15 p m

It would be foolish in the first case to expect the same surety as in the second case, however many events be furnished

Yet it can be made possible to give valuable advice in both cases, but in the first case it would make greater demand on one's time and knowledge

CHAPTER IV

JUDGMENT

ASSUMING we have Data complete and have erected the Birth Chart, then comes the Judgment or Delineation.

Judgment may be divided into Two Parts.

1st. Character or the Physiognomy of the Life and Nature of the Person. This would include the resources of the Native, the type of character, the general lines upon which the affairs of life will run, the general success or otherwise of such affairs, and any outstanding features, such as Marriage, Profession, Finance, Health, etc., etc.

This is largely, if not altogether, drawn from the Birth Chart.

2nd. The estimation of Good and Adverse periods or years of propitious seasons, etc.

This second is derived from two sources. The Chart and its significance combined with the Calculation of operative Influence, or what are termed *Progressed Directions*.

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In regard to the former or Physiognomy of the Horoscope two things should be considered First the outstanding or Dominating Features Second, the whole combined picture or effect

We can seize upon the former—key positions—and from these judge certain marked effects in the life These Key Positions are bound to bring conditions and events that in the History of the life stand out in relief These, however, are not the whole of the Life Just as in a Human Face, the nose might be the Dominant Feature and portrays certain characteristics, yet to get the true estimation of character, the proportion of the other features must also be carefully considered

The *Weakness* of one Planet is as important as the strength of another, in respect to conditions produced in life

For Rapid Judgment, or estimation of the important points in life, the extreme positions, strong or weak, should be considered, just as an artist, to make a rapid but recognizable portrait, would naturally seize upon all marked features

The Wellingtonian Nose, or the Nose of General Booth the rugged features of a

Gladstone or a Lincoln, have often been seized upon for quick illustration.

All human beings, however, do not possess these marked features, likewise one finds Horoscopes where there is more uniformity of Symbolism.

The marked features, the strong points may give more marked events. They may produce a set of circumstances or some peculiarity that attracts attention. They may stamp such a person as out of the ordinary, whether famous or notorious. Yet the more uniform Horoscope may indicate a sound, well-balanced character, may even exceed the former in interest, but not prove so outstanding.

Human life is composed of many varieties, all of which contribute to the sum total of Humanity. Every person counts in this sum, whether their contribution be great or small.

Likewise every item contributes to the total of a human life. Every position contributes to the whole horoscope. In human life there are many things expressed. There are however, far more possibilities latent, awaiting suitable opportunity or stimulus to expression.

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The Horoscope is difficult to interpret in that it symbolizes all the possibilities

The pattern of the life, the general lines on which it will run may be described

It would however, be very difficult to determine with exactness the sure output of a human life

Take for instance the Horoscope of Madame Blavatsky One can interpret the Temperament, the Psychic element in her nature, outstanding features, unusual events etc., but who at birth could have judged the extent to which such qualities found expression The channels through which expression comes are marked The amount or quantity is beyond exact determination It is always easier after the event to find justification for that event It is more difficult to estimate the full measure of the effect before the event

We often fall short in our estimation of results , we often over estimate things There is nothing to be ashamed of in this It is so with all Sciences

In the great majority of cases, reasonably correct diagnosis can be given

It is easy for the critic to say, " If all the Symbols are there, how is it that you fail in judgment ? " Apply this to other studies,

and where should we be? The Physician has his knowledge of the body, and medical properties, etc. He deals with these principles plus experience and arrives at certain conclusions. His reputation depends upon the proportion of results or successes in diagnosis or treatment—not upon Infallibility. If Infallibility were the test in all things how miserably we should all fail?

If Astrology is true, then it will stand the test of proportional success.

CHAPTER V

TYPE OF HOROSCOPE

WHEN the Nativity is cast, a little care and attention should be given to the study of what may be termed its Pattern. Some may be termed bright or fortunate, others sad or adverse. The most fortunate ones are

- 1 Those in which most planets are well placed, i e , Exalted, Dignified, etc , and quick of movement

2. Those in which the Benefics occupy the key points, such as the Ascendant and Tenth House

- 3 Those having a predominance of good aspects

The most adverse are

- 1 Those in which many planets are detrimented, debilitated, retrograde, etc

- 2 Those in which Malefics hold the strong points (Ascendant and Tenth House)

- 3 Those having a predominance of adverse aspects, especially Malefics

The most fateful ones, are :

1. Those with most planets in Mutable Signs.

2. Those with Saturn or Uranus afflicting both Luminaries or a Luminary, the Ruler.

Example.—

Male born 27.4.1893. 11.30 p.m.

Sun. Jupiter (Ruler). Venus opposition Uranus. Practically ruined at 27. *Note.*— Mars exact opposition Ascendant. Dragon's Tail in 10th, Uranus 8.42 in Scorpio retrograde, moving backward to opposition Jupiter 7.50 Taurus. Sun 7.43 Taurus.

3. Those with most planets in Sensitive points or Sensitive degrees.

The Sensitive degrees are :

0° 13° 26° of Aries, Cancer, Libra and Capricorn.

9° 22° of Taurus, Leo, Scorpio and Aquarius.

4° 17° of Gemini, Virgo, Sagittarius and Pisces.

Planets occupying the Mid-Point (within a few degrees) between the Luminaries, or Mid-point between the Ruler and Luminaries or Vital points, would be in a sensitive place. The Nature and Position of such planets should be well considered.

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Also note whether the Ruler or Benefics be besieged by the Malefics. Also all curious positions of the Ruler should be noted. Take the case of the late Hon. Cecil Rhodes, who had Jupiter (Ruler) conjoined with Part of Fortune on one hand, and Dragon's tail on the other hand, a man of strange fame and short career.

One case I remember quite well where Mercury the Ruler was with the Moon between Mars and Saturn. The Ruler there besieged with Malefics gave indication of much trouble in life, although several benefic aspects obtained elsewhere.

When Malefics hold the Ascendant and Mid-heaven and the Benefics are weakly placed, then judge acute conditions, especially when the Malefics are in adverse aspect.

When the Benefics hold the Ascendant and Mid-heaven, even though there may be adverse aspects, judge much success.

Note carefully Nativities in which planets are grouped in one sign. These prove very eventful at some particular period.

In Nativities where there is a group of Planets, Progressed aspects are also bound to have much stronger effect and to be spread over a much longer period.

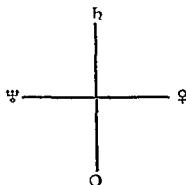
In cases of this kind, note carefully the Periods when Uranus and Neptune arrive on these points.

Astrologer, born 20.7.1824.

Sun 28 in Cancer, Venus, Jupiter, Mercury, all conjoined in that sign. Neptune 7 and Uranus 13 rising in Capricorn. Died in 46th year.

Note Uranus at 46 has moved to the planets in Cancer. Neptune at 46 has moved into Aries. The point of Life is in Mid-Libra, a very adverse area being the mid-point of all these influences.

Note carefully all Nativities where there is a cross formed by planets such as the following :



When some strong direction is formed between or on the points of the square, a most drastic or eventful time is indicated.

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There are all kinds of patterns possible, some where planets are very evenly distributed. These are considered very good if the planets are strong by sign.

I remember one Nativity with *Five* planets in the sign Taurus (Fixed) with the planet Uranus *in trine aspect to all*. The native complained of life being in a deadly groove. A prediction was made that about the time indicated by *Uranus in Virgo* tremendous and beneficial changes would be made of a progressive nature. This occurred at the time indicated.

Note—This was solely from the birth chart.

Cases are known where Benefics are in the Mid heaven, which position promises success, yet success is long delayed.

Such a case was one with Venus and Jupiter in the Tenth in Pisces. Here Jupiter is in its own sign and Venus is exalted. A strong combination and one which will eventually uplift. Saturn, however, was in the fourth house in opposition, therefore there was indications of a "kite with a heavy tail"—difficulty in rising owing to domestic conditions or environment.

Example—Male born 4 4.1891 10 25 a m

Jupiter, Venus opposition Saturn close to Fourth and Tenth Houses.

Always examine closely when a number of Planets *grouped together* receive strong aspect from a Planet of weight such as Neptune, Uranus or Saturn.

If good aspect, then judge some particular benefit, if adverse, then judge some very difficult position eventually.

✓ If this be the case and Uranus or Neptune be the planet afflicting, then carefully note the Transit of such planet. If Uranus, then at about twenty-one, forty-two, and sixty-three years of age he will come to a square or opposition and cause trouble.

✓ If Neptune afflicts, then at about forty-two years the trouble will be evident.

Always note carefully the Ruler of the Nativity in all its movements and aspects.

If the Ruler should go Retrograde note the length of such Retrograde movements

(At the rate of a day for a year)

(the Ratio in Secondary Directions)

This handicaps or weakens the position:

Take note of the Ruler of any house, or planet in such house. Its affliction or good

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aspects will cause, like effects upon the affairs of such house, *even* when another sign has come upon the house by progression

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While a planet must only be expected to express the affairs over which it has charge or influence, it must be remembered that if by progression another planet has come to have influence on that house, the first ruler has not yet relinquished its influence, but has now another planet *intermingling* its influence in such affairs. Therefore in the affairs of any *house* consider well first any planet in such house, as this planet will find expression in such matters. Second, the ruler of that house, as this planet lies at the root of the affairs, and disposes of all other influences (if strong enough). Third, the planet which by progression will intermingle its influence upon a given period. Always note whether the change about to be made introduces a better or a more detrimented note, as for instance Sagittarius on the second afterwards mingled with Capricorn, or say Scorpio afterwards mingled with Sagittarius, etc.

Ascertain first whether the horoscope is a

strong or weak one, good or adverse. Note particularly in what direction the strength or weakness lies.

The position of a planet counts more than the aspect.

A planet well placed will withstand many ill aspects.

A planet badly placed will give small account of its benefic aspects.

Note whether the strength of position is Zodiacal or Mundane. If the former the strength is more in terms of character. If strong by house the benefit will be more along material lines.

The same applies to adversely placed planets in regard to Signs and Houses.

Jupiter in Sagittarius, or exalted in Cancer, would be strong by sign, but in the 1st or 10th any sign would be strong, but chiefly in material affairs. Exalted and in 1st or 10th it would be very powerful.

Note well the ruler of a house and its position in another house. Thus Venus, ruler of the Second house and in the 11th. There is bound to be connection between the affairs of such houses.

Find, if possible, the Dominant Note of the Horoscope, the Planet with strongest influ-
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ence, etc., and place other influences in relation to it.

If the Dominant Note be the *Sun* then judge much Solar Influence, a large type of Nature, much organization and management.

Example.—Alan Leo: Leo rising, three planets and the Sun in Leo, also Sun strongly aspected = Solar Type.

If Lunar, then the Dominant Note is that of change, impressions, moods, whether in character or in life itself. If Mercurial then the note is mental, nervous, intellectual, but like quicksilver.

If Venusian, there is harmony, beauty, social and artistic ability, but a tendency to indolence.

If Mars, they are executive, motive, constructive or destructive, energetic, fiery, but difficult to restrain.

If Jupiter, expansive, jovial, sociable, large, sportive, or majestic, but liable to excess.

If Saturn, earnest, serious, cautious, practical, concrete, sterling, responsible, but liable to gloom and trial.

If Uranus, electric, explosive, original, unexpected, but difficult to deal with and unconventional in attitude.

If Neptune, mysterious, uncommon, psychic, magnetic, languid, dreaming, but liable to lack sound or tangible basis.

These Dominant Qualities having been ascertained, the other planets have proportionate influence.

PART II
PREDICTIVE ASTROLOGY

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

THE Horoscope should be well considered in all its symbols *before Prediction* is made as to probable effects or events. Unless a good grasp of the *whole* symbolism (as well as the Salient or outstanding features) has been obtained, prediction is likely to prove unsatisfactory. Practical experience has taught the author that the knowledge of any operative influence or progressed aspect of any kind is only part of the material required. In fact I doubt its being an equal part with the knowledge one may obtain as regards the Birth Chart itself. Operative Influence is important, yet sometimes it is a case of Operative Influence versus Birth Indications. These Birth Conditions do *not merely* relate to *Character* and *Departments of Human Affairs*, but also to *Time*. The Birth Horoscope does not merely characterize the trend of Human Affairs, but also gives a clue

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to the area or periods which may be termed Good, Unfortunate or Indifferent, etc. Every Astrologer is aware that while say Mercury square Mars in all Nativities is Irritating and Disturbing, yet what a range of variety of effects it gives in different Nativities

The *Effect* of operative influence depends largely upon the material upon which it is operative. A flaming brand cast upon wet ground will cause little harm, but cast it into inflammable material and you have a conflagration. Such was the case with Sir John French in his Progressed Mercury with Mars

Therefore the Birth Chart should be well considered. It has many things to reveal to the Student, who will delve deeply enough. We must never discard any old theory until we disprove it. We must never rest satisfied with that which the past has discovered for us, but strive to discover or if possible add something to that which has been acquired for us and for which we have to thank those who studied and toiled before us

CHAPTER II

THE AREAS

I WOULD emphasize the following :

That there are two factors in connection with prediction, one of which is not often taken into account.

The one factor which is used by all Astrologers is the influence whether Planetary, Zodiacal, or House, operating on Human Life, by what is termed Progression, whether Primary, Secondary, or Transit, etc.

The other factor which is equally important is : that by considering the age or period of life through which the Native is passing, when such Influences are directed, one can estimate the strength or weakness of the Native's position to receive such influences.

This latter can be largely ascertained by note being taken of several things.

1. By considering the age at any given time, to see if there be any comparison between the Age and Birth Numbers.

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2. By counting the years along the Zodiac, one degree per year from 0° Aries and noting if such degrees are adverse or otherwise in the Nativity

3 By comparing the age at the time in the Zodiac at the rates of seven years per sign and noting whether it brings adverse or other positions in the Nativity.

4 By calculating the areas over which the more ponderous Planets spread the influence of their aspects, as Saturn square Jupiter, Saturn square Uranus, Neptune slowly moving to square of radical Sun, etc , or other movements of similar nature

5 By noting the *periods of Planets* and whether they tend to benefit such periods or otherwise

By such methods as these one can make a survey as it were of the strength or weakness of the Native's position at the time when the operative Influences are being directed. Just to take one example

In the thirtieth year of life the late Alan Leo commenced Modern Astrology. At that time the Influences operating were of mixed character. Sun just leaving square Uranus, Mercury conjunction Saturn, Venus trine Neptune

Now consider the age according to methods mentioned.

1. The thirtieth year was important by Birth Number $7.8.1860 = 30$.

2. Nil.

3. Comparing age along Zodiac at seven years per sign $= 8$ degrees of Leo where the Benefic Jupiter was placed at Birth.

4. By calculation of area of Ponderous aspects Jupiter had moved to the conjunction of Radical Sun.

5. Planetary Period. The Sun which at birth was ruler and in sextile to Uranus and trine to Moon.

The more points of importance there may be at a given age when Influences operate the more weighty their effect.

When most of these factors coincide with operative influences a year or period of unusual benefit or adversity may be expected, for the operative influences have stronger effect by reason of the preparedness or suitability of the year in which they fall.

The same strength of attack directed against a person on good, firm ground, could be more easily resisted than if say he were on a frail bridge with insecure foothold.

A strong wind would be more dangerous to

a man on the edge of a cliff than to one sheltered by a wall or house.

Therefore before the operative influences are judged, the *Area of Life* through which the Native is passing should be carefully examined. This is very important. It requires a less good strong influence to benefit a Native passing through one of these good areas than it would if he were passing through an indifferent adverse or weak area.

Likewise disastrous results may sometimes occur with seeming small adverse Directions, if the area through which the native passes is very adverse.

Therefore I would advise students to examine the Chart of Birth in the light of time from 0 degrees of Aries to 30 degrees of Pisces. Call any afflicted point a weak or adverse area and count it in years at the rate of seven years to a sign.

See if these points also coincide with outstanding numbers of the Birth Data. If so, then still greater effect may be given.

Also the planetary periods should be considered.

CHAPTER III

EXAMPLES OF AREAS

Adverse Operative Influence, at an age that compares with a Period or Area that is Beneficial, will have far milder effects than the same operative influence on an adverse area.

Take the case of Geo. Bernard Shaw. At twenty-three years of age he commenced literary work, but though he wrote five novels yet he received no encouragement. The Sun was leaving a square of Uranus, and the Ascendant was conjoined Saturn. The Sun was applying to sextile of Mars. Note, however, first, that at twenty-three years of age he compared with the Position of Saturn and square of Jupiter, which accentuated Saturn on the Ascendant, also that Saturn had moved to the square of Jupiter, which was retrograde. Therefore he was in an adverse area and any adverse influences were more weighty in effect.

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His fortunes changed about twenty-nine years of age, when he was given reviewing for the *Pall Mall Gazette* Note—This compares with Sun and Venus in Leo three and five degrees respectively, both of them true to his part of Fortune and Jupiter

Take the case of Rudolph Valentino

At eleven years of age his father died

Note—Sun 15 degrees, and Mercury 16 degrees in Taurus at Birth, opposed to Uranus Uranus in the 8th Also that the Birth Numbers furnish 6 and 5 = 11 in the date and month

He died at 31 years 3 months If you reckon the degrees comparing from 31 to 32, you have 14 degrees to 18 degrees of Leo This area covers the square of Uranus prog and Radical Mercury and Sun Note also he was $31\frac{1}{4}$ Reckon this from 0 degrees in Aries in years, and you have $1\frac{1}{4}$ Taurus opposition Saturn progressed in Scorpio

These did not of themselves perhaps produce the events, but rendered adverse influences more effective

Mussolini the Dictator

At 18 years he was expelled for Republican tendencies At 19 he was a labourer and

wandered about Count, age from 0 degrees in Aries = you have square Jupiter $18\frac{1}{2}$ in Cancer, also the square of Uranus in Virgo

He reached the position of Prime Minister in 1922, aged $39\frac{1}{2}$ This compares with a point of life, at 7 years per sign = of the sextile of Jupiter in Cancer, and gradually comes to the position of Uranus in Mid-heaven

Take the case of Cecil J Rhodes

At 17 illness of lungs This equals in Point of Life about the Square to Neptune 16 degrees Pisces, also Mars at Birth was in Gemini, Jupiter was $16\frac{1}{2}$ in Sagittarius and moved backwards to opposition at this Point of Life

Just before 28 years he took various degrees This equals the sextile of Saturn In 1885 he became Treasurer of Cape Colony This equals the trine of Jupiter Radical He reached the summit of his fame in 1890, which equals a point of life trine Uranus, sextile Sun, square Mars

Died at $48\frac{3}{4}$ Point of Life equals square Venus, sesquiquadrate Neptune

In 1001 Notable Nativities No 162, there is the case where a Native was married at 24 years 7 months, and her husband com-

mitted suicide 11 days after. The point of life at this age = 15 degrees of Cancer. At birth the Planet Mars occupied 15 degrees Capricorn and at birth this Planet was Ruler and had a square to Ascendant and opposition to Moon. Venus the Ruler of the 7th house had by that time arrived at about 24 Aries square Moon.

In raising these various points to which others could be added, my desire is to emphasize the fact that, *not only* is it important to calculate the Directing Influence at any given year of life, but that equal importance must be given to the area of life in which such Directions fall.

Much more benefit might be expected if a Native by progression has Sun p. trine Jupiter at 30 years, and Jupiter at Birth was 7 to 9 degrees in Leo, than if the same direction Sun p. trine Jupiter occurred to one who had Saturn in 8th degree Leo, square Mars at Birth. In the latter case it would be like some beneficial influence helping him through a very difficult area. In all affairs of life there is this dual factor. The Influence to which one is subjected at any time and the state and condition existing at the time.

The Horoscope at Birth or Birth Chart

furnishes us with a clue to the state or condition that we have inherited or acquired. This applies to all the various affairs of human life, Health, Finance, Marriage, etc. The Birth chart not only furnishes the clue to these conditions, but also the clue to the various years or periods of life where we are as it were on more secure or insecure ground for a time. Once these have been considered then the Astrologer can determine more successfully what result may be expected.

Without this consideration I venture to say that the effects may prove sometimes misleading.

As an instance we refer again to Mr. Alan Leo. The operative influences at the time of his death were not entirely adverse, Jupiter p. conjunction Mercury rad. Sun trine Uranus Moon in 8th House square Sun. The latter I am well aware is serious, but is it sufficient?

If, however, the Birth Chart be carefully examined many subtle factors will be found at work. According to Numbers he had arrived at a critical year. By Point of Life square Saturn it was adverse. By his years along the Zodiac 27 degrees Taurus, square Saturn and Ascendant, it was adverse. By

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Neptune (the planet occupying the 8th House) attaining by transit the position of Jupiter Lord of the 8th

In predicting care must be taken not only to estimate the seed that is falling, but the ground upon which it falls

In many lives Sun p square Mars may be directed but with far differing effects, although it is always a disturbing influence in itself

Likewise in many cases Sun p will arrive at trine Jupiter, but often have I heard the complaint, "The Sextile or Trine of Jupiter passed with little benefit," which is due to these other factors

There may be many more considerations, but these I have tested and have sufficiently proved for myself

Directions often provide an illustration of the old parable The Sower sowing seed—some fell on good ground, some on stony ground, and with vastly different results I venture to say that with all our study in Astrology we may know *much* in regard to the calculation of aspects and their nature, but we have yet much to learn in regard to the Birth Chart Let us get back to that more often and try to solve its riddle It will prove of the utmost value

I remember a case a short time ago in which a Native had Mars p. opposition Saturn r. operating for a few years. At the time of examining the Horoscope he was 43 years of age. This adverse influence had been in operation from about 38 years to the present—43. In the Horoscope, however, were the following positions of certain planets—Neptune 23 degrees Taurus, Jupiter 21 degrees Cancer, Uranus 22 degrees Virgo. This latter equals about 40 years of age. The prediction was made that a very disturbing state of affairs had existed, but that at about 40 years of age, sudden or unusual conditions had obtained, that had, not only lessened the evil, but had given inner changes, commenced a different outlook on life, and given activities of a progressive nature—Uranus sextile Jupiter and trine Neptune.

CHAPTER IV

BIRTH NUMBERS

A FEW examples will be sufficient to show that we are not dealing with mere coincidence. I have studied hundreds of these Dates and have come to the conclusion that *should important directions, etc., fall in a year comparable with the important totals, etc., of the birth Date, then added weight may be given to those Directions.*

Examples :

Alan Leo. Born August 7th, 1860.

$7 + 8 + 1860 = 30$. Commenced
Modern Astrology in his 30th year.

$7 + 8 + 1860 = 30$

$\begin{array}{r} 30 \\ \hline \end{array}$ $30 + 18 + 9 = 57$

$1890 = 18 = 9$

$\begin{array}{r} 9 \\ \hline \end{array}$

$\begin{array}{r} 57 \\ \hline \end{array}$ Died at 57 years.

The Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone became
Premier in his 59th year.

$$\begin{array}{r} 29 \quad 12 \quad 1809 = 59 \\ 12 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$41 \quad 1809$$

Here the 29 (double number) is important.
Died at $88\frac{1}{2}$ years, $59 + 29 = 88$.

Lord Kitchener.

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{Born } 24 + 6 + 1850 = 26 \\ 26 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$1876 = 24$$

or :

$$\begin{array}{r} 24 + 6 + 1850 = 44 \\ 44 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$1894 = 22$$

$$\text{Egyptian Campaign} - 24 + 22 = 46$$

$$\text{Honoured} - - - 26 + 22 = 48$$

$$\text{Died} - - - 44 + 22 = 66$$

Cecil Rhodes.

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{Born } 5.7.1853 = 29 \\ 29 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$1882 = 19$$

$$\text{Died at} \quad 48$$

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Honore de Balzac.

20.5.1799 = 51 (double)

51

1840

Died at 51.

Coleridge.

21.10.1772 = 48 (double)

48

1820 . 11 . 2 48

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Died at 61

Female. Born 6.5.1878 = 35

Died at . . 35

W. Horsford (Poisoner) (28). 6.1871.

Died at 28, or 28th year.

Sophia Hickman.

22.6.1874 = 30 (single).

Died in her 30th year.

Horace Melville (Writer) 1.8.1819 = 28

Achieved success at 28

In any case should there be aspects formed at the time by progression, such aspects will be strengthened or mitigated.

If a Planet be well aspected and situated, mark off its sextiles and trines, and judge beneficial periods.

Conversely, if the Planet is adversely placed and aspected, then mark off its squares and oppositions and judge adverse periods.

It should be understood that the Point of Life opposed to a Planet, even a Malefic, would lose its adversity, if that Planet were *well* aspected at Birth.

The Horoscope of an author of several Astrological Books might be considered in regard to this point. At 35 years of age he would reach the opposition of Mars, $0^{\circ} 26'$ degrees in Pisces, but this would have no weight for adversity in my opinion, as Mars was trine Jupiter, sextile Moon at birth, as well as conjoined Venus (almost), although square Neptune. The balance here is in favour of benefit from Mars, therefore that period is not adverse, in fact would tend to benefit, as the area immediately moves to the sextile of Jupiter and trine of Moon.

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CHAPTER V

THE POINT OF LIFE

THE planet Uranus moves through the Zodiac at the rate of one sign in seven years, or about 4 degrees two-sevenths per year ($4\frac{2}{7}^{\circ}$).

Imagine *Life* to be moving along the Zodiac at this Ratio. The 49th year would equal the end of the 7th sign, or 30 degrees Libra. The age of $17\frac{1}{2}$ would equal the 15th degree of Gemini, and so on with all the signs.

Mark off the positions of the Planets at Birth as comparable with certain years. Thus Saturn in Virgo $8\frac{1}{2}$ degrees, would equal about 37 years. Jupiter in Leo $8\frac{1}{2}$ would equal 30 years, etc.

Call these "Important areas," *allow 4 degrees* (which covers one year), and judge them weak or strong, good or adverse, as the nature of the Planet may be.

You will find that at the year comparable with the Planet's position, its nature and aspects, there is generally some corresponding event or experience.

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Using the same horoscope, he married at $26\frac{3}{4}$ years. In age he was very close to the

sextile of radical Venus, and certainly the preparation for marriage would be under this influence. The Point of Life is $24\frac{1}{2}$ degrees in Cancer sextile to his Neptune, and trine Mercury Progressed. Also Uranus in Libra, by retrograde movement, has moved back to 11 degrees 42' in Libra, trine Sun $11^{\circ} 49'$ Libra. The Moon radical has been brought to within about a degree of the 7th House.

At Birth the Planet Venus being in Aquarius 26 degrees indicated that 26 degrees Aries, or 26 Libra, are suitable points for Venusian events.

It is impossible to give more than a few examples. There are, however, numerous cases which could be brought to prove the importance of this.

Here are a few examples.

The late King Edward was crowned Aug 9th, 1902. His age at that time was $60\frac{3}{4}$ years. At Birth his Ruler Jupiter was $21\frac{1}{2}$ degrees in Sagittarius near the Ascendant in its own sign.

Reckoned at 7 years per sign this equals

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
 8 \times 7 & = & 56 \text{ years} \\
 21\frac{1}{2} \text{ degrees} & = & 5 \text{ years} \\
 & & \text{—} \\
 & & 61 \text{ years} \\
 & & \text{—}
 \end{array}$$

Our present King, His Majesty George the Fifth, Married July 6th, 1893.

Age at that date = 28 years 1 month.

This at 7 years per sign is very close to the sextile of his Moon on the Cusp of the seventh House.

He ascended the Throne May 6th, 1910. Crowned on June 22nd, 1911. At his ascension, 45 years of age, the Point of Life equals the trine of Radical Sun.

The late Alan Leo commenced his great work in connection with Modern Astrology in his 30th year. This equals 8 degrees in Leo, the place of his Jupiter at Birth. This therefore, according to his own remarks (see "Everybody's Astrology"), rendered the position Jupiter p. conjunction Sun r. more effective.

He died at 57 years of age.

At Birth he had the Planet Saturn on his Ascendant $27\frac{1}{2}$ degrees of Leo.

At 56 years of age, which equals end of Scorpio, he had just passed the square of that Planet, by Point of Life, and by 57 years had reached $4^{\circ} \uparrow$ the square of Progressed Saturn, in Virgo 4 degrees.

The late Queen Alexandra died at 81 years of age. The year of Life equalled the square of Mercury, ruler of her 8th House.

George Eliot died at 61 years, equal to Uranus 23 degrees in Sagittarius, square Saturn 23 degrees Pisces

The Rt Hon J Ramsay Macdonald became Prime Minister at 57 This equals Venus and Moon in Sagittarius, trine Ascendant

Sir Richard Quain was appointed Queen's Physician at 44 This equals the sextile of Uranus

He died at 81½ years, equal to the square of his Neptune from the 8th House

Sir John French had a disastrous fire at 51 years of age, which equals his Mars 7½ in Scorpio opposition Uranus 7½ degrees in Taurus

The point I wish to emphasize is—that a Sensitive point is projected, as it were, along the Zodiac at the rate of seven years per sign *At the year* equal to the position of a Planet, any direction then prevailing can be given much more importance

Again, take for example the case of Mr Macdonald At the time of his Premiership, the directions are not very strong In Raphael's Ephemeris for 1925, the Horoscope of Mr Macdonald is given, and note is made of

Jupiter transiting his Moon's position. This would have greater effect, owing to the positions of Venus and Moon in Sagittarius, which compared with his years at that time.

Take again Mr. Macdonald.

His mother died in his 44th year. At that time the progressed Sun had a parallel of Jupiter. Raphael notes the Ascendant conjunction Uranus Mundane, but the year comes very close to the *square of Uranus*, giving more power to this aspect.

In the case of Mr. Alan Leo, at the 30th year the progressed M.C. would equal the central point between radical Moon and Sun, that is 15 degrees in Gemini. This was very strong. Also Jupiter by progression had formed the conjunction of Radical Sun and trine to Moon, but still greater weight was given by this position of Jupiter 8 degrees in Leo equalling his age at that time.

CHAPTER VI

AGE ALONG THE ZODIAC

I WOULD advise students to count the year of life along the Zodiac from 0 degrees Aries, at the rate of 1 degree per year

Aspects formed by this method to other parts of the Nativity, *while in themselves not necessarily giving events*, yet give added weight, when combined with other factors.

I will give a few examples

Stanley Conder, drowned at $15\frac{1}{2}$ years

This equals $15\frac{1}{2}$ degrees Aries square Part of Fortune Counted backwards it equals $14\frac{1}{2}$ degrees Pisces, square Neptune

King Edward married at $21 = 21$ Aries, trine Jupiter R

Death of his mother, Queen Victoria, at $59 = 29$ degrees Taurus, trine Moon in the 8th House This of course led him to the *Throne*

Alan Leo died at $57 = 27^\circ$ Taurus square Saturn and Ascendant

Lord Kitchener died at 66 = 6° Gemini, square Neptune in Pisces, square prog. Sun.

Queen Alexandra married at 18 = 18° Aries, trine Moon trine Mercury.

Died at 81 = 21° degrees Gemini, cusp of the 8th, opposition progressed Mars, Trine Neptune (peaceful death).

Victor Hugo, died at 83½ = 23½ degrees Gemini, in 8th, opposition Moon, square Mercury.

Alexander Dumas (elder), died at 68 = 8° degrees Gemini, square Jupiter R. Square prog. Sun in 8th.

Rudolph Steiner, died at 64 = 4° degrees Gemini. His radical Saturn was 6 degrees Virgo, prog. Saturn 2½ degrees Virgo.

Female, died at 35 = 5° degrees Taurus, conjunction Neptune, square Jupiter R.

Percy B. Shelley, died about 30, opposition Jupiter and Neptune.

Walter Horsford (Poisoner). Executed at 27 = 27° degrees Aries, square p. Uranus.

Sir Richard Quain, died at 81½ = 21½° Gemini, opposition Neptune p.

This may suffice to show that it may be something more than mere coincidence, and that they give added weight to prevailing directions.

CHAPTER VII

PONDEROUS PLANETS

IN Secondary Directions or taking one day to equal one year, the quickly moving bodies, Moon, Mercury, Sun, Venus, and Mars form aspects by progression other than those held at birth.

Neptune, Uranus, Saturn and Jupiter move so slowly that these planets make few aspects other than those held at birth, particularly Neptune, Uranus and Saturn. Especial note should be made of any aspects these planets may have at birth as their influence spreads over a larger area of life. They represent patches of influence in the background, impressing their character on the life of the native in question.

Take for instance Sun at birth, 9 degrees in Libra, and Saturn in 4 degrees Aries. In this case the Sun is opposed to Saturn at birth. The Sun by progression will leave this—but

what of the movement of Saturn? If Saturn were retrograde, then the influence would gradually diminish but, if direct, then as the years go by Saturn will form exact opposition to the Sun radical

In such a case you will find that through the greater part of life, perhaps to the end, there will be a subtle tightening of the influence of Saturn on the life, responsibilities, etc., increasing with advancing years

There may, of course, at any given time be other good influences formed, that would help to mitigate it, but this shadow lies in the background

In the author's Birth Chart, Saturn was in Pisces, twenty-nine degrees, retrograde. The Moon was twenty-six degrees in Virgo. Here the Moon formed the opposition to Saturn, very early on, handicapping early life, also Saturn being retrograde, slowly moving back to 26 degrees Pisces, restricting the first half of life very much

The same method may be applied in the case of the ponderous planets forming good aspects, but with good effects

I have known cases where, in spite of good aspects at various periods, there has been this doggedness of adversity, and in other

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cases in spite of adverse aspects forming by direction, there has been much security.

. Many instances could be quoted, but a few must be taken as examples. Take a few examples.

1. Stanley Conder, Boy Explorer, had Sun $7\frac{1}{2}$ degrees Libra, Jupiter 5 degrees in Cancer, Venus in 8th House square Neptune. These gave danger from water.

Jupiter moved forward to 6.15 Cancer at death, thus making the area much worse.

2. George Eliot at Birth had Saturn 24 in Pisces. Uranus 23 Sagittarius. She died at 61 years of age.

At Death Saturn was 28 degrees Pisces, square Neptune. Uranus 28 degrees Sagittarius.

At Birth Jupiter was 11 degrees Aquarius. Sun 29 degrees 6 Scorpio.

At Death Jupiter 29 degrees Aquarius, square 1. Sun 29 Scorpio.

3. Viscount Lascelles at Birth Jupiter 28.52 Gemini. Venus 2 Scorpio. At marriage Jupiter has moved to within $\frac{1}{2}$ degree of Trine Radical Venus.

4. In the case of King Edward. Sun 17 degrees Scorpio. Neptune 14.19 Aquarius, Jupiter 21.28 Sagittarius, Uranus 20.37 Pisces.

At time of death :

Uranus has formed the square to Radical Jupiter.

Neptune has formed the square to Radical Sun.

5. In Sir R. Quain's Horoscope the 8th House Cusp was 14° Pisces, Uranus at Birth was 9 degrees $36'$ Sagittarius. At Death, 14 degrees Sagittarius square 8th Cusp. (Cusps of Houses are perhaps debatable, but the Author's experience is that they are of importance.)

Saturn had moved from $17\frac{1}{2}$ degrees Aquarius to the Descending Degree. Jupiter at Death had moved to 4 degrees Sagittarius, progressed Dragon's tail 4° degrees Sagittarius.

6. Male, born 19.9.87. At Birth Jupiter Ruler, $5\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ Scorpio, Saturn $3\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ Leo in 8th.

At Death Saturn $5\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ Leo, square Rad. Ruler Jupiter.

7. C. J. Rhodes. At Birth, Dragon's tail $18^{\circ} 20'$ Sagittarius Jupiter $16^{\circ} 36'$ Sagittarius. At Death, Dragon's Tail 16 degrees Sagittarius.

8. Czar of Russia. Sun $27^{\circ} 41'$ Taurus. Dragon's Tail $0^{\circ} 45'$ Virgo. At Death, Dragon's Tail 28 degrees Leo.

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At Birth Uranus was $10\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ Cancer, Jupiter $5^{\circ} 50'$ Aries

At Death Uranus was $13^{\circ} 12'$ Cancer, Jupiter $13^{\circ} 5'$ Aries Saturn had moved back to $29\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ Virgo, nearer the opposition of Radical Sun.

CHAPTER VIII

THE MOON'S NODES

THESE Nodes have been the subject of much controversy. Mr. Bailey and Mr. White, of present day astrologers, have given us much valuable and interesting information in regard to the Nodes.

My experience agrees with these latter, i.e., the Nodes are productive of very marked effects.

Not only do I believe their position at birth as effective, but also that their transits should be noted.

Very much depends upon the position they occupy at birth.

It is certain that in some of the most peculiar cases, the Nodes have a prominent position.

One query I have heard raised is that as they are also at opposite points, that is the Head and Tail, there must always be a point of benefit and of evil or adversity, falling

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on opposite places. To me this raises no difficulty. Extremes always lie at opposite points. I know a case where the nodes occupy the Fixed Sign of Leo and Aquarius, the Dragon's Head being in Aquarius, the Dragon's Tail in Leo. They lie near the 6th and 12th Houses. They are squared by Neptune. The Native still awaits *conviction* that there is any other Factor to account for 1st, Intense interest and activity in regard to Human Nature (Dragon's Head in Aquarius near the 6th) 2nd, Deformity of Spine (Dragon's Tail in Leo) 3rd, Almost loss of life by poisoned food. Neptune in square from Taurus.

At the same time it must be remembered that there were suitable operative Influences coinciding with the age or Years of Life, these points represent, and therefore as one might say, everything was suitably prepared.

The late Hon Cecil J Rhodes had his Ruler near the Ascendant, conjoined with Part of Fortune (Fame), but within a few degrees of Dragon's Tail, and by his death the Node had almost conjoined his Ruler. A strange mixture of Fame and Adversity, peculiar conditions, etc.

Walter Horsford had Dragon's Tail con

junction Saturn, square Mars, square Ascendant, and all the time slowly moving back to this square of Mars, ruler of his 1st and 8th Houses.

Rudolph Steiner had at birth Dragon's Tail 20 degrees 22' in Cancer, Square Moon 17½ degrees Libra. At death the Tail had moved back to the square of Moon.

In "1001 Notable Nativities" there are many cases that support the Influence of the Nodes. These can be tested, and I feel sure would bring conviction.

If, however, the *Nodes at Birth* were not strongly placed or affected, then their transits will naturally be *less* effective. In cases where they were strongly placed and aspected or had peculiar significance, then their transits should be noted.

A few examples may be noted.

Male drowned at 26. At Birth Dragon's Tail 26½ degrees Sagittarius square Mercury. At death Venus 26½° Virgo, square Dragon's Tail.

By Transit Dragon's Tail square Uranus in the 8th House.

Czar of Russia at his death had *Dragon's Tail square Sun, M.C.*, while at birth Dragon's Tail was square, his Ruler Mercury.

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The Kaiser at his Fall had Dragon's Tail square Uranus

Native Born with Dragon's Tail $27^{\circ} 40'$ Aquarius, Saturn 29° Scorpio, Moon 26° Taurus Had lawsuit Dragon's Tail by transit, over Moon in 7th House

Serious accident to child Dragon's Tail passing over Saturn in 6th Death of Parent, Dragon's Tail conjunction M C Dragon's Tail transit square Moon Radical

Male of same family.

Death of Mother, Prog Mercury square Dragon's Tail

Dragon's Tail by transit square Mercury and Venus

Male—Adverse Law Case.

By transit Dragon's Tail $22\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ Aries, conjunction Moon in 7th House

Male born with Nodes in Affliction

Illness (serious) Dragon's Tail transit in 6th square Moon

Father died Dragon's Tail conjunction Neptune by transit, square its own position

Financial Disaster Dragon's Tail transit in 2nd Radical, but exact Prog Ascendant

Ruinous Change Prog Ruler conjunction

Dragon's Tail opposition Neptune. Dragon's Tail in 2nd House.

Suffered Treachery. Transit by Saturn over Dragon's Tail in 12th.

Serious Illness. Dragon's Tail transit, square radical Ruler and Venus. Many other instances could be given.

If the Nodes at Birth have important position and are strongly aspected, then I advise a study of their important transits, as well as any aspects thrown to them at various points of life.

CHAPTER IX

TRANSITS

TRANSITS have often been dealt with, yet a few remarks in regard to them may not be out of place in this book.

I consider Transits of great importance as Excitants and often as indicators of dates, when certain effects are brought into operation.

The slower Planets, like Neptune, Uranus and Saturn, spread their effects over a larger area of time, which area should be noted.

If during this area or period of time another transit of a quicker Planet like Mars also operate, then the effects are rendered more acute.

It would be well, however, to remember that transits are far more effective in Periods when there are also deeper Influences at work of similar nature.

The Native passing through a strong Martian Period with progressed Martial

aspects, would naturally find the Transits of Mars particularly effective. So with all the other Planets.

Transits are very useful in determining the Salient points of the Year, but their effects must be interpreted in proportion to what Influences lie at the *Root* of the Year.

They often prove of more effect than Lunar Aspects. Once the character of the Year has been determined, then the strength of operative influence can be calculated, and knowing this, the Transits prove exceedingly useful additional factors, in giving the Stimulus required to bring about the expected effects.

In calculating effects of transits, not only should one consider the point that is transited, and the nature of the Planet in Transit, but also it would be well to remember the House the Transiting Planet occupied at Birth. The Planet has always the power to mingle the effects with something of its previous significance.

Take the Transit of *Neptune* (in Mr. Leo's case) to round the position of Jupiter, the Ruler of his 8th House. Neptune in this case, besides his own Nature and the significance of Jupiter and the 12th House, which he

transited, also brought some influence of the 8th House which he originally affected

There are Four things to consider in respect to a Transit of importance These four considerations are

1 The Place that is being affected by the Transit

2 The Nature of the Planet that stimulates

3 The Materials, so to speak, which he may also convey from his original position

4 The length or period of his effect—to note whether any other influence intervenes, or increases, the effects

Take two examples

1 The Planet Saturn, transiting an Important Point and being very slow of movement The Area of Time his effects are possible is lengthy

During this period, if, say, Mars also affected that point the effect would be very acute, but if Jupiter or Venus threw a good influence to that point, there would be much assistance given for a time

2 Jupiter passing over Radical Moon would be a good transit and might extend over a few days, according to his movement If during any of these days Venus also touched

the point, the effects would be much increased. On the other hand, if Saturn or Mars afflicted the place, then the strength of their influence would depend upon the relative strength and position they held at Birth. Transits are very fascinating, as they bring quick results and can be readily noted.

Always study well the strength of the Planet (at Birth) that may be transiting and only expect effects accordingly. If Saturn was very unfriendly at Birth and in a strong afflicting position, then his transits would have severe effect. If Jupiter at Birth was weak and afflicted, then do not expect too much benefit of his good transits. At the same time, by his good transits, the very nature of the Planet must have some effect.

This is the case with all the Planets.

The quick moving Planets, such as Mercury, Venus, Sun, etc., merely indicate certain dates propitious for certain action, or the Moon, certain parts of a date that might be useful or detrimental. Slow-moving or Ponderous Planets, on the other hand, give areas, extending from a day or two, to a few months, as, e.g., Neptune. Also the other Planets by going Retrograde over an important point may protract their influence.

CONCLUSION

ASTROLOGY provides us with a wonderful key in regard to Human Life

A key, however, if of any value, carries with it responsibility. It signifies the means of Access, but also of care and protection.

In the earlier stages of Astrological study it is primarily a realm of interest and discussion. When, however, we step into the position of Adviser, consciously or unconsciously, we accept responsibility. In some case humans may expect the impossible of us, namely infallibility.

The Tradition or Honour of Astrology, however, does demand of us several things: Honest Conviction in statements. Faith in the Truth that Astrology possesses. Earnest endeavour to become ever more proficient, and last but not least—Humility, otherwise when we least expect it, we may be confounded.

We must ever remember the effects that advice can have. Therefore never give such

lightly. We are not juggling with trifles, but are dealing with human lives.

The Key gives pleasure and interest in the experience it affords us of human life. The key gives responsibility in the shaping of our own life, then how much more in regard to advice given to others!

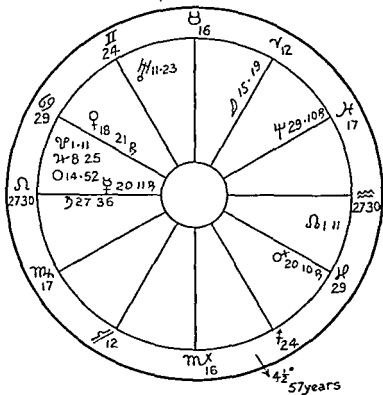
If we earnestly seek we shall find. If we speak with conviction, no more is possible. To be really convinced oneself is one step to the convincing of others.

Astrology will justify one's Faith. It will always reward one's earnest endeavour.

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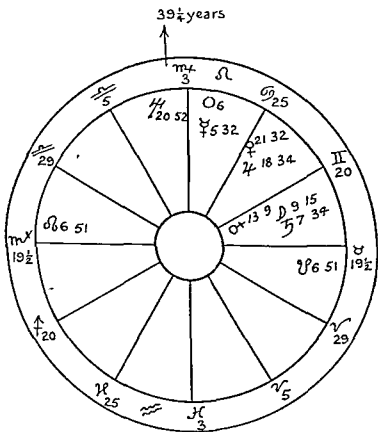
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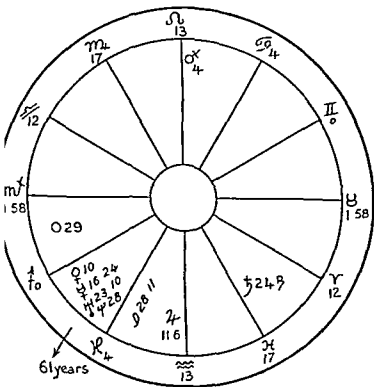
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